

Nelson House



Village Scene

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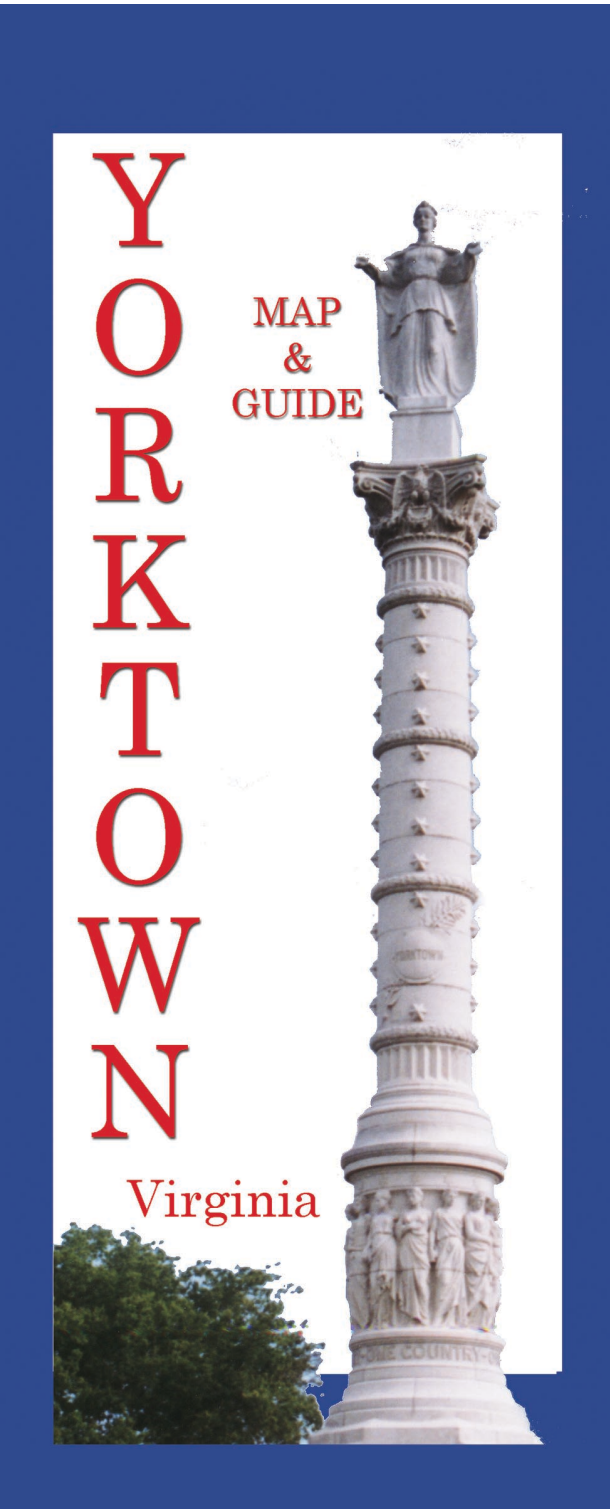
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York Hall



Riverwalk



Welcome to Yorktown, best known as the site where British General Lord Cornwallis surrendered to the American forces led by General George Washington, marking the end of the last major battle of the American Revolution. Today, about 350,000 people visit Yorktown each year to tour battlefields and the two major museums where exhibits and films bring that military campaign into focus.

Visitors are also discovering the charm of Yorktown's quaint streets, historic homes, unique gift shops, antique shops and art galleries, its Watermen's Museum and its York River beach area and new Riverwalk. Also available are York River cruises, free concerts by the Fifes and Drums of York Town, the free Yorktown Trolley, the July 4th parade and fireworks and the Yorktown Day celebration on October 19.

For lodging, the Duke of York Motor Hotel & Restaurant and the nearby York River Inn Bed & Breakfast are in the center of Yorktown overlooking the York River. Additional lodging is available also at the Marl Inn Bed & Breakfast.

Although the quiet historic village of Yorktown is small and has less than 250 residents, it is rich in history and has been the seat of York County government for more than 300 years. We hope you enjoy your visit to Yorktown and plan to come again soon.



Watermen's Museum

Main Street in Yorktown



Map and Guide to Historic Yorktown



MUSEUMS & HISTORICAL SITES

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| 1 Yorktown Visitor Center | 8 Grace Episcopal Church |
| 2 Yorktown Victory Monument | 9 Moore House (Seasonal) |
| 3 Nelson House | 10 Poor Potter Archeological Site |
| 4 Archer Cottage | 11 Smith House |
| 5 Ballard House | 12 Yorktown Victory Center |
| 6 Cornwallis' Cave | 13 Watermen's Museum |
| 7 Customhouse | |

GIFTS & MEMENTOS

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| 1 Yorktown Visitor Center Bookstore | 14 Yorktown Shoppe |
| 8 Grace Church Book and Gift Shop | 12 Yorktown Victory Center Gift Shop |
| 13 Watermen's Museum Gift Shop | |

ART, ANTIQUES & REPRODUCTIONS

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| 15 Black Dog Gallery | 19 Period Designs |
| 16 Gin Tail Antiques | 20 Swan Tavern Antiques |
| 17 Nancy Thomas Gallery | 18 On The Hill Cultural Arts |

DINING

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| 21 Duke of York River Room | 23 Waterstreet Landing |
| 22 Nick's Seafood Pavilion | 24 Yorktown Pub |

LODGING

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| 21 Duke of York Motor Hotel | 26 York River Inn Bed & Breakfast |
| 25 Marl Inn Bed & Breakfast | |

YORK RIVER CRUISES

- 27 "Miss Yorktown" & "Yorktown Lady"

CHURCHES

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| 8 Grace Episcopal Church | 28 Yorktown Baptist Church |
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GOVERNMENT SERVICES

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| 29 County Courthouse | 32 York County Administration |
| 30 County Finance | 33 York Hall |
| 31 U.S. Post Office | |

TOURIST SERVICES

- T Trolley Stop R Restroom — Walking Tour

1 COLONIAL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK
Yorktown Visitors Center: Museum, film, battlefield, auto tours, ranger programs. *Bookstore:* Revolutionary War and Colonial history books, videos, toys, auto tour tapes, Jamestown glass and pottery. Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Extended hours spring through fall. (757) 898-2410. www.nps.gov/colo

2 YORKTOWN VICTORY MONUMENT
Commissioned by the Continental Congress in 1781 to commemorate the great victory at Yorktown, this monument was constructed between 1881 and 1884.

3 NELSON HOUSE *Seasonal*
Restored mansion of Georgian architecture. Home of Thomas Nelson, Jr., a signer of the Declaration of Independence, Governor of Virginia, and commander of the Virginia Militia during the Siege of Yorktown. (757) 898-2410.

6 CORNWALLIS' CAVE
While legend places Cornwallis' headquarters here, he was actually located in a bunker along tobacco road.

7 CUSTOMHOUSE *Seasonal*
Owned by the Comte de Grasse Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, it was built in 1721 as a storehouse by Richard Ambler who later became collector of duties from ship captains. Open Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

8 GRACE CHURCH and Book & Gift Shop
History: 300-year old Episcopal Church survived 1781 and 1862 sieges and "great fire" of 1814. *Book Shop:* literature, jewelry, selected gifts and cards. Open Tuesday-Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Sunday from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. *Services:* Sunday at 7:50 a.m., 9:05 a.m., 11:15 a.m. (757) 898-3261.

9 MOORE HOUSE *Seasonal*
Site of negotiations which led to the British surrender at Yorktown on October 19, 1781. (757) 898-2410.

10 POOR POTTER ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE
The "poor potter", William Rogers, as described by Royal Governor Gooch in 1732, actually operated a large scale pottery here in violation of English trade laws. Remains of the factory, circa 1720-1745, were uncovered in 1970. (757) 898-2410.

12 YORKTOWN VICTORY CENTER
The American Revolution, from beginnings of colonial unrest to the formation of a new nation, is chronicled through time line, exhibits, film and outdoor living history in recreated Continental Army camp and 1780s farm. Gift shop features variety of Americana items, books, toys. Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (757) 253-4838. www.historyisfun.org

13 WATERMEN'S MUSEUM
Tells the story of "Wooden Boats and Iron Men." Boat models, photos, tools, artifacts of the men who harvest the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. *Gift Shop:* Pottery, books, nautical clothing, art by local artists. (757) 888-2623. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. (757) 887-2641. www.watermen's.org

14 YORKTOWN SHOPPE
Unusual gifts. Pewter, lanterns, wrought iron, carvings, special clothing, primitive paintings, replica and whimsical houses, old world Santas and balance toys. Open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (757) 898-2984.

15 BLACK DOG GALLERY
Workshop assembles archival quality framing for Period Designs and by appointment. (757) 898-1700.

16 GIN TAIL ANTIQUES
A gallery of Americana, early furniture, Folk Art, stoneware and selected treasures. Open Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sunday from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m., and Monday/Tuesday by appointment. (757) 890-1335.

17 NANCY THOMAS GALLERY
Original art, wood and metal designs by artist Nancy Thomas. Antiques and gift accessories. Open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (757) 898-3665 or 1(877) 645-0601.

18 ON THE HILL CULTURAL ARTS CENTER
Gallery of art and crafts by local artists. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (757) 898-3076.

19 PERIOD DESIGNS
Ceramics, glass, brass, iron, prints, furniture, floor coverings, and museum-quality framing. Exceptional home furnishings by artisans working in 17th and 18th century traditions. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. (757) 886-9482.

20 SWAN TAVERN ANTIQUES
A fine collection of 18th century English furniture and accessories displayed in an 18th century style setting. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 to 5:00 p.m. (757) 898-3033. www.swantavernantiques.com

21 DUKE OF YORK MOTOR HOTEL & RESTAURANT
Center of Yorktown overlooking the York River. The peaceful end to a day of touring. River Room Restaurant serves breakfast and lunch. (757) 898-3232.

22 NICK'S SEAFOOD PAVILION
Yorktown's world-famous seafood house serving lunch and dinner. Established 1944. Full banquet facilities. Now accepting reservations. Open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (757) 887-5269.

23 WATERSTREET LANDING
Specialty sandwiches, gourmet pizza, fresh seafood, steak, ice cream, and homemade desserts. Full bar with local beer and wine. Lunch and dinner overlooking the York River. (757) 886-5890.

24 YORKTOWN PUB
Full pub menu including fresh seafood. Live entertainment on weekends. Lunch and dinner overlooking the York River. Cash and Travelers Checks only. (757) 886-9964.

25 MARL INN BED & BREAKFAST
Two bedrooms and two apartments for individuals, couples, or families. Bicycles available for touring town and battlefields after enjoying a delicious full breakfast. (757) 898-3859 or 1(800) 799-6207. www.marlinnbandb.com

26 YORK RIVER INN BED & BREAKFAST
Situated on a high bluff overlooking the York River, three antique-filled guestrooms, exceptional amenities, and sumptuous breakfasts make an overnight visit an outstanding experience. (757) 887-8800 or 1(800) 884-7003. www.info@yorkriverinn.com

27 "MISS YORKTOWN" (May-October)
Fishing trips and York River cruises. Docks at Watermen's Museum. Special charters available. Call Erin Kay Charters: (757) 879-8276 (daytime) or (804) 642-5096 (evening). www.yorktowncruises.com

& "YORKTOWN LADY"
Departs from Watermen's Museum for Luncheon, Sunset, Dinner and narrated Cruises on the York River. Also available for private charters. Call for Schedule. (757) 229-6244. www.yorktowncruises.com

28 YORKTOWN BAPTIST CHURCH
Services: Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. (757) 898-3274.

33 YORK HALL
Built in 1955 and renovated in 1999, this is the fifth building on this site to serve York County since 1697. Today, it is the meeting place of York County Boards and Commissions and is used by several community organizations for cultural events and functions.